

COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

DATE:

Wednesday, February 22, 2023

LOCATION:

MetroPlan Orlando

David L. Grovdahl Board Room

250 South Orange Avenue, Suite 200

Orlando, Florida 32801

TIME:

9:30 a.m.

Chairman Jeffrey Campbell, presided

Members in attendance were:

Mr. Jeffrey Boebinger, City of Altamonte Springs

Mr. Benjamin Bossley, MetroPlan Appointee

Mr. Jeffrey Campbell, MetroPlan Appointee

Mr. Bryant Coleman, City of Kissimmee

Ms. Cynthia Henry, Orange County

Ms. Gigi Moorman, Orange County

Ms. Theresa Mott, City of Apopka

Mr. R.J. Mueller, MetroPlan Appointee

Mr. Thomas O'Hanlon, Seminole County

Mr. Brindley Pieters, Seminole County

Mr. Jeff Piggrem, MetroPlan Appointee

Ms. Judy Pizzo, MetroPlan Appointee (Alternate)

Ms. Marissa Salas, MetroPlan Appointee

Ms. Theo Webster, MetroPlan Appointee

Others in attendance were:

Ms. Catalina Chacon, FDOT

Mr. Myles O'Keefe, LYNX

Ms. Taylor Laurent, MetroPlan Orlando

Mr. Alex Trauger, MetroPlan Orlando

Mr. Eric Hill, MetroPlan Orlando

Members not in attendance were:

Ms. Susan Buttery, MetroPlan Appointee

Mr. Joseph Colon, MetroPlan Appointee

Ms. Nilisa Council MetroPlan Appointee

Mr. Joel Davis, City of St. Cloud

Mr. Daniel J. López, Osceola County

Ms. Patricia Colloca Massot, Seminole County

Ms. TeNeika Neasman, City of Orlando

Mr. Kevin Persaud, Osceola County

Ms. Patricia Rumph, Orange County

Dr. Casmore Shaw, Osceola County

Mr. David Sibila, MetroPlan Appointee

Dr. Dan Stephens, MetroPlan Appointee

Ms. Venise White, MetroPlan Appointee

Vacant, MetroPlan Appointee

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MetroPlan Orlando CAC Meeting Minutes February 22, 2023 Mr. Mighk Wilson, MetroPlan Orlando

Mr. Jason Sartorio, MetroPlanOrlando

Mr. Slade Downs, MetroPlan Orlando

Ms. Lisa Smith, MetroPlan Orlando

Ms. Cynthia Lambert, MetroPlan Orlando

Ms. Mary Ann Horne, MetroPlan Orlando

Ms. Cathy Goldfarb, MetroPlan Orlando

A complete listing of other attendees may be obtained upon request.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Jeffrey Campbell welcomed everyone and called the Community Advisory Committee meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Jeff Boebinger led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS

Chairman Campbell detailed the public comment procedures. He told CAC members that at the February board meeting he shared CAC members' concerns regarding the future EV charging stations on I-4. Chairman Campbell reported that the CAC New Member Selection Committee met virtually Monday, February 20th and selected five candidates to fill MetroPlan Orlando appointee openings. The proposed candidates will go to the MetroPlan Orlando board for approval at their March 8th meeting. Chairman Campbell introduced Ms. Cynthia Lambert to announce the Annual Report sharing competition winner, which was CAC.

IV. AGENDA REVIEW

Ms. Mary Ann Horne reminded CAC members that meetings required an in-person quorum and emphasized the importance of RSVPs for the meeting. She introduced Ms. Patricia Mondragon, from the Seminole County Health Dept., who was invited to attend by Ms. Venise White. Ms. Horne reminded CAC members about the Active Transportation Survey, which was open until March 10th. She called attention to certificates provided for those who attended the Sunshine Law Refresher at the January meeting. Ms. Horne announced that MetroPlan Orlando staff member, Ms. Sarah Larsen and her husband welcomed a baby boy, James, January 28th. She stated there were no changes to the printed agenda, but noted that the full title of the federal grant covered in Ms. Taylor Laurent's presentation was Safe Streets and Roads for All.

V. CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM

Ms. Lisa Smith conducted the attendance roll call and confirmed a quorum.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ACTION ITEMS

None.

VII. ACTION ITEMS

A. January 25, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Approval of the meeting minutes for the January 25, 2023 CAC meeting was requested. The minutes were provided.

MOTION: Ms. Theo Webster moved for approval of meeting minutes from January 25, 2023. Mr. Jeff Boebinger seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

B. FDOT Amendment to FY 2022/23 – 2026/27 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Mr. Jason Sartorio, MetroPlan Orlando staff, requested the CAC make a recommendation to the Board that the FY 2022/23 – 2026/27 TIP be amended to include the following items:

• FM# 443548-1 – Fortune Road and Simpson Road Intersection Improvement Project

A letter from FDOT staff explaining the amendment request was included, along with a sheet prepared by MetroPlan Orlando staff and the draft resolution to be presented at the March 8, 2023 Board meeting. Mr. Sartorio gave a brief review of the amendment request. Discussion ensued regarding project cost increase, the impact of the project when complete and the completion date.

MOTION:

Mr. Tom O'Hanlon moved for approval of the FDOT Amendment to FY 2022/23 – 2026/27 Transportation Improvement Program. Mr. R.J. Mueller seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

VIII. PRESENTATIONS & STATUS REPORTS

A. Safe Streets and Roads for All Update

Ms. Taylor Laurent, MetroPlan Orlando staff, provided an update on the Safe Streets and Roads for All grant program. MetroPlan Orlando was awarded federal funding to develop regional and local safety action plans. Ms. Laurent told CAC Members that MetroPlan Orlando was awarded \$3.79 million which will be used to create Vision Zero Safety Action Plans for the region, the three counties and 19 cities and towns. She reviewed the anticipated components, what's next for MetroPlan Orlando and what local partners can do. Ms. Laurent noted that the local partners are being asked to designate a region champion who can serve as the point of contact for the project.

B. 2021/2022 Traffic Signal Retiming Program

Mr. Eric Hill, MetroPlan Orlando staff, gave a presentation on the Traffic Signal Retiming Program. An infographic outlining the 2022 Corridor Retiming Program was provided. Mr. Hill told committee members that signal retiming is an annual program and he was providing an update on 2022 retiming efforts. He reviewed why signal retiming was important and reported that 17 corridors and 7 independent

intersections were retimed in Orange and Seminole counties. Osceola, he added, did not submit any corridors for retiming for 2022. Mr. Hill provided a history of data sources and noted that Connected Vehicle data went through a validation process. He reviewed the performance metrics, project results, and benefit/cost summary, along with the historic benefit/cost summary. Discussion ensued regarding data from 2021 and 2022, the effect of retiming on cross streets, and air quality emissions data. Members asked for more information on why Osceola County did not submit any corridors for retiming.

C. Bicycle/Pedestrian Count Program Status Update

Mr. Mighk Wilson, MetroPlan Orlando, gave a status update on the ongoing tracking and analyzing of bicycle and pedestrian counts around the region. Mr. Wilson provided an overview and history of the Bicycle/Pedestrian Count Program including the technology changes over time. He reviewed the technology changes from people counters to Eco counters to Miovision and detailed the advantages of the current Miovision system. Mr. Wilson outlined MetroPlan Orlando's use of the bicycle/pedestrian counts, the 2023 counts and some examples of types of counts. Discussion ensued regarding how counts relate to roads that could be used by bicyclists and pedestrians, equity and non-equity areas, how data is used and who is using it, and lack of sidewalks in other areas of the country compared to Florida.

D. I-4 Beyond the Ultimate Project Update

Ms. Catalina Chacon, FDOT, gave a presentation on the updates to the I-4 Beyond the Ultimate (BtU South) project. Ms. Chacon called attention to the Governor's recent Moving Florida Forward Infrastructure initiative. She provided background on the I-4 Ultimate and Beyond the Ultimate projects, including a map that showed the phased approach for Beyond the Ultimate. She noted that I-4 is the backbone of Central Florida and a top priority. However, funding has been an issue; the phased approach has helped to move projects forward. Ms. Chacon detailed phased projects in Orange and Osceola counties and their status. She told CAC members that a traffic assessment, using heat maps, was conducted to find the focus areas that were most congested. Osceola County, she added, was experiencing severe congestion. Opportunities and a value engineering approach were used to move the Osceola projects forward. Ms. Chacon reviewed what they are proposing for the Osceola projects, including the connections to Orange and Polk counties and the next steps. She provided a brief presentation on Moving Florida Forward, including a map of the 20 projects - 4 of which are in District 5. Discussion ensued regarding barriers being stationary and not dynamic, lack of funding for the BTU north extension, wildlife crossings, cost per mile, where funding is coming from, and the schedule for the I-4/Sand Lake Road project.

IX. GENERAL INFORMATION

- A. FDOT Monthly Construction Status Update The latest FDOT Monthly Construction Status Report for the Orlando area was provided.
- **B.** Highlights from February 8, 2023 MetroPlan Orlando Board Meeting A series of highlights and notable actions from the most recent MetroPlan Orlando Board meeting was provided.

- **C. LYNX Press Releases** The most recent LYNX press releases were provided.
- D. Handout on Poinciana Parkway Extension Connector A factsheet from Florida's Turnpike Enterprise providing information on the Poinciana Parkway Extension Connector was provided.
- E. Moving Florida Forward Infrastructure Initiative On January 30, 2023, Governor DeSantis announced the Moving Florida Forward infrastructure initiative. For more information about the initiative and identified priority projects, visit https://www.fdot.gov/MovingFloridaForward.

X. UPCOMING MEETINGS OF INTEREST

A list of selected upcoming meetings to be held at MetroPlan Orlando's office. For more information and a full list of upcoming meetings, visit MetroPlanOrlando.org/calendar

- **A.** Transportation Systems, Management, & Operations Committee (TSM&O), Feb. 24, 2023
- B. Technical Advisory Committee (TAC), February 24, 2023
- C. Municipal Advisory Committee (MAC), March 2, 2023
- D. MetroPlan Orlando Board, March 8, 2023
- E. MetroPlan Orlando Federal TMA Certification Public Meeting 9 a.m., March 15, 2023
- F. Central Florida Commuter Rail Commission (CFCRC, SunRail), March 23, 2023
- **G.** Community Advisory Committee (CAC), April 26, 2023

After April, the remaining CAC meetings for 2023 are on: 5/24; 6/28; 8/23; 10/25; 12/6

XI. MEMBER COMMENTS

None.

XII. PUBLIC COMMENTS (GENERAL)

None.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

Respectfully transcribed and submitted by Ms. Cathy Goldfarb, MetroPlan Orlando.

Approved this 26th day of April 2023.

Jeffrey Campbell, Chairman

Ms. Cathy Goldfarb,

Senior Board Services Coordinator

As required by Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes, MetroPlan Orlando hereby notifies all interested parties that if a person decides to appeal any decision made by MetroPlan Orlando with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, he or she may need to ensure that a verbatim record is made to include the testimony and evidence upon which it is based.